

1 had questionable legal status.

2           However, it seems to me to protect the rights  
3 of the people, to protect their representation in the  
4 Congress, that some standards ought to be included in  
5 our Constitution; this amendment would require redis-  
6 tricting after every decennial census upon which census  
7 congressional seats are distributed.

8           This would mean whether Maryland lost or  
9 gained a congressman, the districts would have to be  
10 redrawn or at least reviewed. The changes in Maryland's  
11 population and the uneven growth within the state make  
12 it imperative that there be congressional redistricting  
13 again whether Maryland gains or loses a congressman.

14           This establishes certain standards for conti-  
15 guity and compactness of Congressional districts. It also  
16 establishes a personal limitation from the smallest to  
17 biggest of 15 percent.

18           Congressional action in this field has been  
19 mentioned. At one point the Congressional bill did in-  
20 clude the 15 percent standing. Again, I am sorry I am  
21 not current with what is going on in the halls of Congress